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| PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT | Application # | NEW APPLICATION |
| | Confirmation # | |
| | Filing Date | December 6, 2005 |
| | First Inventor | DE VILLIERS |
| | Art Unit | |
| | Examiner | |
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Prior to examination

A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and

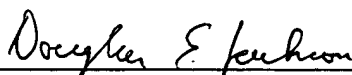
B) please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 6, 2005



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